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In the Matter of

Digital Phonorecord Delivery
Rate Adjustment Proceeding

Docket No. 96-4 CARP DPRA

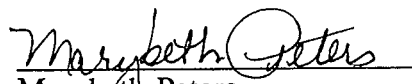
ORDER

On October 14, 1998, the National Music Publishers Association (NMPA), the Songwriters Guild of America (SGA), and the Recording Industry Association of America, Inc. (RIAA) filed with the Copyright Office a memorandum regarding adoption of rates for general digital phonorecord deliveries. The memorandum asks the Office to "issue final regulations adopting the unopposed rate for general DPDs and schedule for future proceedings set forth in sections 255.5 and 255.7 of the proposed regulations filed by Petitioners on November 5, 1997 ("Proposed Regulations"); and [to] issue final regulations adopting the rates for incidental DPDs set forth in section 255.6 of the Proposed Regulations (with the clarifications suggested in Petitioners' July 21, 1998 Memorandum to the Copyright Office to address the comments filed by other parties concerning incidental DPDs) or, in the alternative, sever and defer, until the next rate adjustment proceeding, the issue of rates for incidental DPDs." Memorandum at 1.

Parties who wish may file with the Copyright Office comments to the memorandum according to the schedule set out in this order.

Wherefore, under the authority of 17 U.S.C. 801(c), **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that parties shall submit comments on the memorandum no later than Friday, October 23, 1998, and replies to these comments no later than Wednesday, October 28, 1998.

SO ORDERED.


Marybeth Peters,
Register of Copyrights.

Dated: October 16, 1998.